YOU SURE WE DON'T NEED TO LEAVE A NOTE FOR HAMGRAVY?
COURSE NOT! HAMGRAVY'LL SEE WE TOOK PABLO AND LEFT PRINCE IN HIS PLACE! HAMGRAVY'S NOT CRAZY ENOUGH TO GET IN THE CAGE WITH THAT CAT!
GEE! I GUESS HAMGRAVY WAS IN A HURRY TO GET HIS LUNCH—WELL, ALL I'VE GOT TO DO IS GET IN THE CAGE AND ACT LIKE A LION TRAINER UNTIL HE GETS BACK!
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WAIT'LL THE CROWDS SEE ME—THEY'LL THINK I'M THE REAL STUFF, ALL RIGHT! THEY DON'T KNOW THAT PABLO'S SO OLD HE'S LOST HIS TEETH AND IS AS GENTLE AS A KITTEN!

TOMMY OF THE BIG TOP — **By John Lehti**

OKAY! I'LL SHOW YOU SOME OF MY STUNTS— THEN YOU'LL SEE I'M PROBLY GOOD ENOUGH TO GET IN TH' CIRCUS RIGHT NOW!
HERE GOES...
OH, MY...
Y'SEE? I DO IT TH' HARD WAY! MOST GUYS'D LAND ON THEIR FEET— BUT I DO TWO TRICKS, BACK FLIP AN' SIT DOWN, ALL AT TH' SAME TIME!
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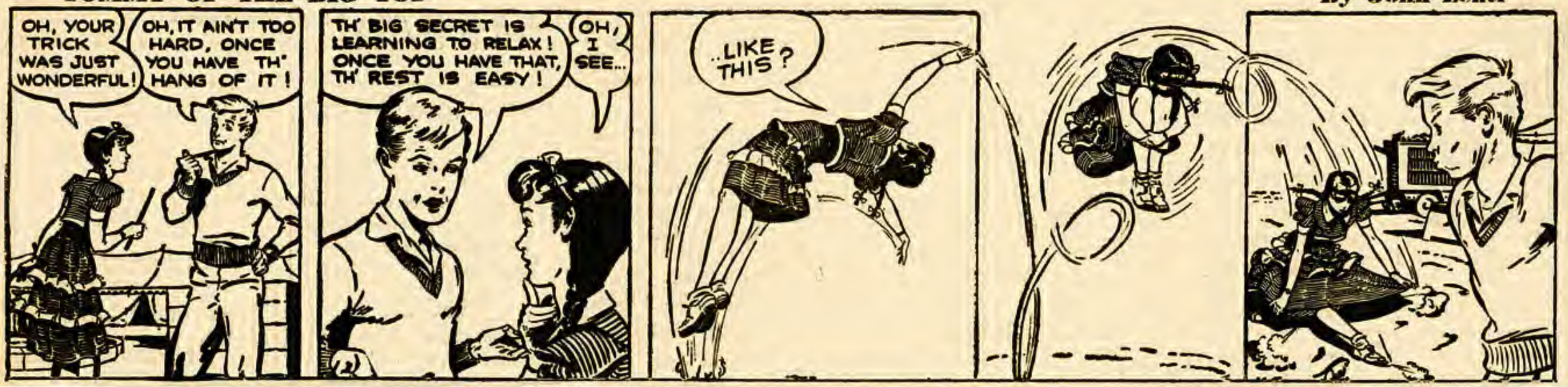
OH, YOUR TRICK WAS JUST WONDERFUL!
OH, IT AIN'T TOO HARD, ONCE YOU HAVE TH' HANG OF IT!
TH' BIG SECRET IS LEARNING TO RELAX! ONCE YOU HAVE THAT, TH' REST IS EASY!
OH, I SEE...
..LIKE THIS?

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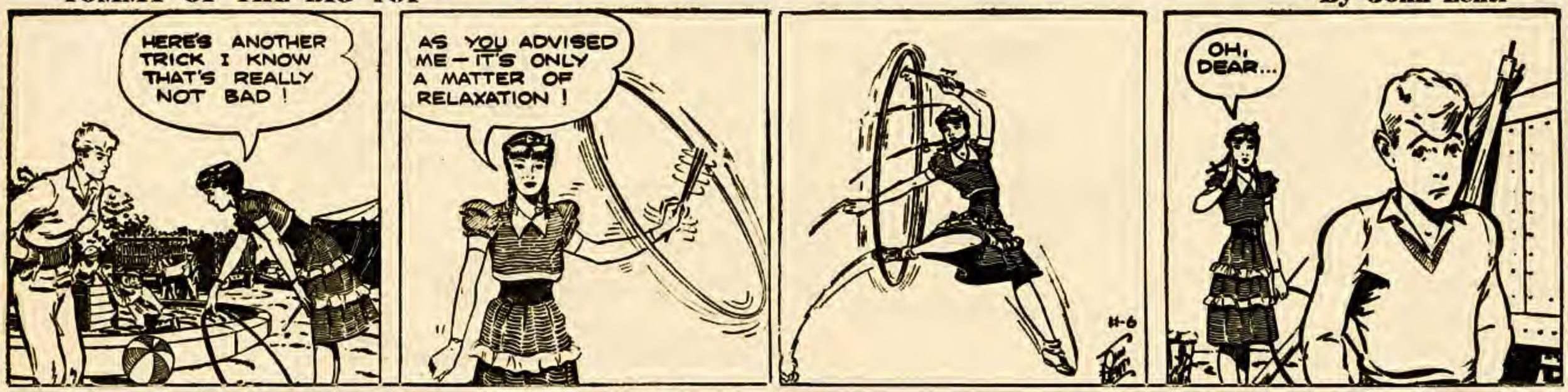

TOMMY OF THE BIG TOP

Not a Bit Anxious

By John Lehti

MEET MR. HOLLOWAY, TOMMY!
GEE! I DIDN'T MEAN TO STEP ON YOUR FEET!
THAT'S ALL RIGHT! FEET LIKE THESE ARE ALWAYS GETTING UNDERFOOT—HAW!
IS YOUR FRIEND A NEW MEMBER OF THE CIRCUS, SUE?
NOT YET, BUT HE'S VERY ANXIOUS TO JOIN!
OH, I'M NOT TOO ANXIOUS!
11-18
JOHN LEHTI
WELL, I HEARD THE BIG GAFFER, MR. BINGHAM, SAY THERE'S A HELPER'S JOB OPEN!
HONEST? WHERE'S HE AT— WHO DO I ASK— WHEN DO I START?

Not Quite

By John Lehti

BETTER HURRY— WHILE THE JOE'S STILL OPEN!
C'MON, I'LL TAKE YOU TO MR BINGHAM! YOU CAN GO RIGHT IN—HE'S A NICE, CHEERFUL MAN!
DON'T EVER LET ME SEE YOU AGAIN, OR I'LL SKIN YOU ALIVE!
CHEERFUL? HE DOESN'T SEEM SO CHEERFUL TO ME!
OH, I KNOW WHAT THAT'S ALL ABOUT! THAT FELLOW GOT A JOB BY SAYING THAT HE WAS EIGHTEEN—NOW MR BINGHAM FOUND OUT HE WASN'T!
BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY— YOU'RE EIGHTEEN, AREN'T YOU?
WHO— ME? W-WHY— UH ..

WHAT DO YOU WANT, YOUNG FELLER?
HE WANTS A JOB, MR. BINGHAM!
WELL, YOU'RE A STRONG ENGLISH LOOKING LAD—ARE YOU EIGHTEEN?
ER, UH-HUH.
OKAY, YOU'RE HIRED! REPORT TO STEVE BURNS—HE'LL BE YOUR BOSS!
YES, SIR! THANK YOU, SIR!
GEE, SUE! I GOT TH' JOB, BUT I DON'T FEEL RIGHT ABOUT SAYING I'M EIGHTEEN, WHEN I'M NOT—I'D BETTER GO BACK AND TELL HIM!
YOU'RE RIGHT TOMMY! BUT WHAT'LL HE DO WHEN YOU TELL HIM? OOOH.

Honesty Pays

By John Lehti

OHO! SO YOU'RE BACK TO...
..TELL ME YOU'RE NOT EIGHTEEN! IS THAT IT?
GEE, MR BINGHAM, IF YOU KNEW ALL ALONG I WASN'T EIGHTEEN, WHY DIDN'T YOU THROW ME OUT, TH' WAY YOU DID THAT OTHER FELLOW?
I WOULD HAVE, IN THE MORNING, I GAVE HIM TWENTY-FOUR HOURS TO TELL THE TRUTH, BUT HE TRIED TO GET AWAY WITH IT!
YOU'VE PROVEN YOU HAVE THE RIGHT STUFF-YOU'RE HONEST! YOU'RE TOO YOUNG FOR A REGULAR JOB, BUT, IF YOUR FOLKS CONSENT, YOU CAN COME ALONG WITH US AND I'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOU!

TOMMY OF THE BIG TOP **By John Lehti**

SUE! WHEN THAT CRANE FELL, IT BROKE ONE OF THE CAGES! THERE'S A TIGER LOOSE— RIGHT OVER US!
QUICK, TOMMY! WE'VE GOT TO GET ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CARS AND WARN THE MEN! THEY DON'T KNOW...
JOHN LEHTI
LOOK! HE RAN UP ON THAT TRESTLE CROSSING THE HIGHWAY, AND HERE COMES A TRUCK— OOH....
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